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in re Application of: N. OKAMURA

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GAME DEVICE AND GAME PROGRESSING

METHOD USING THE SAME

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR. § 1.56 in connection with the above-identified application, which statement is being filed:

- [] Together with the present application.
- [X] Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]
- After the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first. [37 CFR § 1.97(c)]
- [] After a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, but prior to or with payment of the Issue Fee. [37 CFR § 1.97(d)]

Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the

following requirements have been met:

- [] No separate requirements are needed.
- [X] No additional fee is required.

[] <u>Fee Under 37 CFR § 1.97©</u>

The fee of \$240.00 for submission of an IDS under \$1.97© as set forth in \$1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

[] Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.97(d)

This is a petition requesting consideration of an IDS under § 1.97(d). The petition fee of \$130.00 set forth in § 1.17(i)(1)accompanies this petition.

[] Certification Under 37 CFR § 1.97(e)

Each item of information contained in this statement was either

- (1) cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement; or
- (2) not known to any individual designated in § 1.56© more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Provision of Copies of References

[X]	A copy of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449A is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.				
	[]	A partial translation of Referenceis enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.			
	. [X]	A copy of the Japanese Patent Office Report from corresponding International Application No. PCT/JP03/16543 is enclosed herewith.			
	[]	A copy of the Search Report from a corresponding or related German application is enclosed herewith.			
	[]	A copy of the International Search Report from the related International Application No. is enclosed herewith.			

<u>Identification of Prior Application(s) In Which Listed Information Was Already Cited And</u> <u>For Which No Copies Are Submitted Or Need Be Submitted</u>

[]	This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior Application Serial No, filed on The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore are not required to be provided in this application:				
[X]	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1679 . A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.				
	Respectfully submitted,				
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Sir:

Pursuant to the Duty of Disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, the materials listed on the enclosed for PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each foreign reference is enclosed.

The claimed invention is believed patentable over the enclosed references. No representations are made regarding the references other than those set forth above.

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